

SILVER LINING IN MINING CLOUD

Offer of Operators for Moderate Raise to Miners Breaks Ice

MAY START UP TODAY

Offer of 20 Per Cent Increase in Wages Not Enough Says John L. Lewis.

Though operators and miners of the central competitive fields remained hard locked all day yesterday in their negotiations for a new wage contract, prospects for an agreement that would settle the coal strike were considered brighter last night than at any time since the strike was called.

The operators offered to the miners' representatives a flat increase of 15 cents a ton on coal mined and 20 per cent increase for day workers. John L. Lewis, acting president of the Mine Workers of America, outwardly stamped the concession as wholly inadequate, but both sides plainly took the offer as a breaking of the ice and an opening for trading tomorrow.

Meanwhile, the Government continued to hold hands off, and Fuel Administrator Garfield took no steps to openly ration or restrict coal consumption.

President Lewis, of the Mine Workers, after the close of the long session today, said he considered that the operators' proposal had "contributed nothing to the settlement of the difficulties," but at the same time indicated that miners were preparing to come down a degree in their demands for a six-hour day and a 60 per cent increase.

"The operators are proposing something that they know can't be accepted," he said. "The increase they would give them simultaneously arrange to take back in increased charges to miners for supplies. Then, they haven't talked the question of hours at all. It is not necessary to take up the six-hour proposal. We have many of our men who work nine and ten hours a day under present conditions because the present eight hour day in many mines is merely a basic theory and not an actual fact."

Thomas T. Brewster, chairman of the operators' scale committee, refused to discuss the proceedings, but the compromise offer made by the operators was outlined more fully by his associates.

The proposed wage advances are the absolute maximum to be offered, W. T. Guthrie, member of the operators' scale committee, representing Western Pennsylvania, and George B. Harrington, Illinois spokesman for the operators, said last night. Failure on the part of the miners to accept the proposition would mean mediation by the Government, Guthrie said.

LIFTS BAN ON WHISKY

British Parliament Cheers Notice That Much Liquor is Available

London, Nov. 21.—One hundred and fifteen million gallons of whisky, besides a quantity of other spirits in bond in Great Britain, were released from wartime restrictions this week and may be distributed to all comers who can persuade the dealers to sell.

Announcement of the removal of the restrictions, which was made without warning in the House of Commons by the food controller Tuesday, came as a surprise to the members, who greeted it with loud cheers.

The liquor trade was equally surprised and was besieged by the well to do among the public as soon as the unexpected news spread. Many orders of from 50 to 100 dozens were placed immediately, in addition to numerous commissions for smaller quantities.

It is figured that enough spirits has been thus freed to supply each man, woman and child in the country with 36 bottles. The government maintains control of the maximum price, which for whisky is ten shillings and six pence per bottle.

KILLS WHITE WOMAN

Negro Became Enraged Because She Refused to Marry Him

New York, Nov. 21.—Enraged because she refused to marry him, Joseph J. Jones, a Boston negro, shot and killed Mrs. Theresa Arico, white, at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lena Schwartzberg, 601 East Seventeenth street. Then the negro, who from papers in his pockets was identified as an I. W. W. agent, shot himself through the right temple, dying shortly afterward.

Mrs. Arico was twice wedded and was said to be a widow. She had a son of 16 and a daughter of 14.

According to the police, Jones, who had been lodging at the Schwartzberg home up to two months ago, returned on the pretense of getting a satchel, which he said he had forgotten. Mrs. Arico admitted him. They talked for a few minutes, then Jones shouted: "If you don't marry me you won't marry anybody else."

This was followed by two shots.

CONDITIONAL PARDON

Mrs. Hall, Convicted of Murdering Her Husband in Louisiana Case in 1914, is Free

The news of a conditional pardon granted a convicted murderess some two weeks ago by Governor Davis is announced. Mrs. Elizabeth A. Hall, of Louisiana county, received the pardon, having served not quite half of a ten year term imposed by a jury in 1914 for the murder of her husband, Victor Hall, on the morning of April 15, 1914.

The murder of Hall caused a sensation, following closely a fire which destroyed the store of a merchant named Dunkum, a business rival of Hall's. Dunkum was a brother of Mrs. Hall's first husband and Victor Hall was suspected of having started the fire which destroyed the store.

MEET PANTHER IN ROAD

Vigorous "Honking" of Flivver Horn Causes Both Animal and Man to Flee

Winchester, Va., Nov. 21.—Returning late Wednesday afternoon from the western section of Frederick county, where they had been visiting relatives, Edward Peer, of the Winchester postoffice and members of his family were suddenly halted by a full grown panther, which sprang from thickets at the side of the road directly in front of their flivver.

Peer took in the situation at a glance and, with "full steam ahead," sped off down the road at a lively clip, reaching town much sooner than he had counted on. He said he frightened the panther by "honking" vigorously at close range.

SOCIALIST MEETING BARRED

Syracuse, N. Y., Nov. 21.—Members of the American Legion having threatened to storm a projected Socialist meeting at which George Kirkpatrick, former Socialist candidate for Vice President, is scheduled to speak, the mayor announced yesterday that he will not permit the meeting to be held. The Socialists are defiant and say the meeting will be held anyway. The Federal authorities have ordered the arrest of men distributing circulars advertising the meeting which has been arranged "in behalf of political prisoners."

AFGHAN VILLAGES BOMBED

London, Nov. 21.—Three villages of Afghanistan just beyond the northwestern frontier of India were bombed November 13 by 25 British airmen, who dropped five tons of explosives, according to advices from India recently. The airmen have continued the operation daily with good results, the machines returning from each flight without a casualty, notwithstanding heavy anti-aircraft fire.

NOTICE

Thanksgiving is near. We have bought several thousand pounds of chickens and turkeys, young and old. Coming in now from the Valley of Virginia. F. C. PULLIN, corner Queen and Royal Streets. Phone 948W. 278-2t

Chew Moonshine Sun-Cured plug chewing tobacco. "That Mellow Flavor," 10 cents a cut, 20 cents the plug. At all tobacco dealers. 276-4c.

SOUVENIR PROGRAM NOW ON SALE HERE

Contains History of Part Played by Virginia Troops in War

FUNDS FOR MEMORIAL

Is of Especial Interest to Alexandria Boys Who Participated in World War and to Every Virginian.

A handsomely illustrated souvenir program of the first anniversary of the signing of the armistice, published for the celebration held in Richmond November 10-15, under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion, Post No. 1, has been placed on sale in a number of the drug stores of this city.

The book is neatly gotten up and profusely illustrated and contains forty-eight pages. Among other things it contains brief sketches of the 29th division which division included the 116th Infantry and in this infantry were many Alexandrians, most of whom were former members of the old Alexandria Light Infantry.

There is also contained the war record of the 111th Field Artillery, 104th ammunition train, signal corps, hospital corps, history of the Virginians of the Rainbow Division, the 80th Division, and brief sketches of the regiments composed entirely of Virginians including the 317th Infantry.

Inasmuch as Alexandria boys were connected with the divisions whose history is contained in this book it certainly should meet with a ready sale here as the records are written by those who were on the scene of action, and, of course, are accurate.

In addition to these records the program contains other data of interest to all Virginians who took part in the world war.

Miss Nellie Uhler and Miss Eliza Douglas, of this city, are in charge of promoting the sale of the programs in this city.

These programs have been placed on sale at the following drug stores: H. D. Ashton, W. F. Creighton, A. J. Dienelt, Gibson's, Rexall Drug Store, J. E. W. Timmerman, Edgar Warfield, Jr.

Proceeds from the sale will go to the fund being raised in Virginia toward the erection of a suitable memorial to the memory of all of the Virginians who participated in the world war.

Every person in Alexandria should purchase a copy of the book as a record of the part played by Virginians in the war and also to help the cause for which the proceeds will be used.

NEW CONFERENCE

Ex-Governor Stuart of Virginia is a Member of the Conference Washington, Nov. 21.—Another effort to bring industrial peace to the country is to be made by a conference of former Federal and State officials, business men and economists, the personnel of which was announced yesterday at the White House.

Unlike the National Industrial Conference, which came to grief over the question of collective bargaining, the new body will represent no distinctive group, but will undertake to act in the interest of the people as a whole. It will meet in Washington December 1.

STREET-CAR DYNAMITED

One Passenger Seriously Injured and Dozen Others Hurt in Knoxville, Tenn.

Knoxville, Tenn., Nov. 21.—One passenger was perhaps seriously injured and a dozen others less seriously hurt here Wednesday night when a street car was dynamited.

DIED

BRAWNER—On Thursday, November 20, 1919, Mrs. Nellie Brawner, wife of William H. Brawner, of 313 Queen street, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Minnie Athey, Manassas, Va. Funeral Sunday, November 23rd, at Dumfries, Va. 278-1p.

WARN AGAINST BOMBS

Nation Wide Anarchistic Plot Unearthed in Philadelphia

Philadelphia, Nov. 21.—Beware of bombs in Christmas packages. This was the warning sent out to government officials this week when police here discovered evidence of a Red plot to send explosive machines as Christmas gifts through the mails.

Evidence of the existence of the nation wide anarchistic plot to institute a reign of terror at the Christmas season was discovered yesterday by Andrew Emmanuel, head of the bomb squad of the city detective force. Emmanuel, it is said, discovered the evidence during his investigation of radical activities here.

Superintendent of Police Robinson immediately communicated with government officials and with Chief of Police Quigley of Rochester, N. Y., chairman of the Board of Governors of the National Bureau of Criminal Identification.

The Bureau of Police also issued the following statement:

"Superintendent of Police Robinson is in possession of reliable information that members of certain radical organizations, with headquarters in the principal cities of the United States, are preparing to send out prior and during the Christmas holidays, packages of neat appearance, which would probably be considered as Christmas gifts by those who receive them. Some of these packages, it is known, are intended for United States government officials of States and cities, whose duties have required them to take an active part in the suppression of Bolshevism and anarchistic movements."

HOLD MAN FOR SHOOTING

Row Over Position is Said to Have Been Prime Factor in Lynchburg Tragedy

Lynchburg, Nov. 21.—Harry T. Blanks was shot here Wednesday and W. E. Rhodes, shipping clerk for Fields-Watkins Co., is being held. Blanks died on the way to the hospital. He was discharged by Rhodes, and, according to Rhodes, who surrendered himself to the police, Blanks threatened to kill him, but he was able to shoot first, one ball piercing Blanks' ear and another near his heart. The third went wild.

The shooting occurred in a whole sale store.

In the past year Blanks' mother and wife died of influenza. Later his baby and father died and he married again within the year. Rhodes came here about fifteen months ago from Norfolk.

BREAK COMING

Armed Intervention in Mexico Not Unlikely in Continued Refusal to Release Jenkins

The tenet and most dangerous situation between the United States and Mexico, since the Pershing occupation, has been created by the re-arrest and imprisonment by Mexico of W. O. Jenkins, a United States citizen.

The Department of State yesterday sent a note to the Mexican Foreign Office, through the American Embassy at Mexico City, calling for the immediate release of Jenkins, the American Consular Agent at Puebla.

On its face judging only by the tenor of the American note it means that if Carranza does not comply with the demands of this government, anything, including armed intervention, may or should follow.

ORGANIZERS FINED \$600

Had Pleaded Guilty of Conspiracy to Destroy North Carolina Mill

Albemarle, N. C., Nov. 21.—Having pleaded guilty to the fourth count of the indictment against them, charging conspiracy to destroy property of the Wicasset Mills Company, and the stockholders' rights therein, Marvin Ritch, Charlotte lawyer, and J. H. Graham, of Concord, both labor organizers, were fined \$600 and taxed with the costs by Judge Lane in superior court here yesterday.

NOTICE

Dressed and drawn young chickens for Saturday at F. C. PULLIN's, corner Queen and Royal streets. Phone 948W. 278-2t

SPORTS

The Alexandria Basket Ball League will be organized tonight at a meeting at Community Center, when teams from the Virginia Athletic Club, Drednought Athletic Club and the Lyceum have been invited to have representatives present.

It is planned to stage two games each week at the Armory Hall in conjunction with the skating now being conducted there. An invitation has been extended the High School to enter a team in the league. Any club in the city is eligible to enter the league. There will be no weight or age limit.

Leo Sweeney, who is running the skating at the Armory Hall, has agreed to allow the Basketball League to use the hall two nights each week, while it is planned to hold practice sessions every afternoon between 5 and 7 o'clock. The meeting tonight will be called to order promptly at 8 o'clock.

Virginians Play Quintins

The Virginia Athletic Club football team will play the Quintin Athletic Club of Washington Sunday on the Ship Yard gridiron at 3 o'clock. This game promises to be one of the best staged here this season. The Drednoughts are without a game for this Sunday to date, although every effort is being made to arrange one with some fast team from Washington.

To Hold Marathon Run

A five mile run will be staged Christmas Day under the auspices of the Alexandria Community Center, and entries will be received at the Center any time by the Club Director. The race is open to all. Boys under 18 years of age will be allowed a handicap of one minute.

Prizes will be awarded the first, second and third men to finish.

ANITA STEWART TODAY

The Richmond Theatre will present for two days beginning today, what is considered by experts to be one of the most perfect motion pictures yet made. The story is of a marriage of convenience, adapted from "Her Kingdom of Dreams," by Louise Provost which was published in "The Peoples Home Journal." The film was directed by Marshall Neilan who recently made Mary Pickford's "Daddy Long Legs."

Critics state that it is almost impossible to pick a flaw in the wonderful acting, while the settings, photography and scenic effects are magnificent. It is a First National Attraction. Don't fail to see it. 278-1c.

STORE ROBBED

Burglars Secure Goods Valued at \$250 From Store of J. Reece Caton

Burglars last night robbed the store of J. Reece Caton, 128 South Royal street, of goods valued at \$250. Entrance to the store was made through the transom over the front window of the Royal street side of the establishment.

The burglars stripped a number of prize punch boards of gold coin and other valuables and also carried along various other things from the place. No clew has yet been obtained.

DEATH OF MRS. BRAWNER

Mrs. Nellie Brawner, wife of William H. Brawner, of 313 Queen street, died last night at 10.10 o'clock at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Minnie Athey, at Manassas, Va. The deceased had been in failing health for some time. Funeral services will be held at Dumfries, Va., Sunday.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends and relatives, also to the employees of the Corby Baking Company for their beautiful floral offerings and for other kindness shown us and for use of automobiles at the funeral of our beloved son.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Harrison, 278-1p. 708 North Patrick Street, gwof and taasV (and r

NOTICE

All dry picked turkeys at F. C. PULLIN's, corner Queen and Royal streets. Phone 948W. 278-2t

Grand tonight, last time to see "Virtuous Men."

AMERICAN LEGION

Meeting of Local Post Will be Held Tomorrow

There will be a called meeting of the local post of the American Legion tomorrow night, November 22, at 8 p. m., in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce. This meeting is called to consider a few important matters just up and will last a very short time.

The most important is the consideration of an invitation to attend the memorial service at Christ Church Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. It is desired that the post attend in a body and for this reason the officers are anxious to make the necessary arrangements. However, all those who are not able to attend the meeting are hereby notified that they are invited to this service and will be ushered to seats provided.

As this meeting is only for a few minutes it is hoped that as many as can possibly do so will be present.

PROPERTY SALES

Four Deeds of Transfer Just Recorded

Deeds of transfer for the following pieces of property have just been placed on record in the office of the clerk of the court as follows: Miss Rebecca T. Klipstein to Thomas M. Watkins and others house and lot 116 North West street; Dr. George T. Klipstein and wife to Frank M. Waldvogel and wife house and lot on the north side of Duke between Patrick and Henry streets; Charles E. Tenneson and wife to Julian Beach and wife houses and lots 505 and 507 South Fairfax street; Carroll Pierce trustee, to Miss Sadie M. Field lot 2, block 14, section 2, Rosemont.

ASSEMBLY RE-ORGANIZED

Club Will Hold Series of Dances This Winter

The Alexandria Assembly has recently been re-organized with Mr. C. W. Wattles, chairman and Captain George H. Evans, Secretary and Treasurer. This club will have a series of dances, to be held in Elks Hall during the winter months. The first dance of the season will take place tomorrow night November 22nd.

Those who have been invited to become members, can secure season tickets at J. E. W. Timmerman's drug store or from the secretary at the hall.

GEORGIA NEGRO LYNCHED

Men Drags Station Agent's Slayer From House With Rope

Madison, Ga., Nov. 21.—Wallace Baynes, a negro, was taken out and shot to death in the northern part of Morgan county Wednesday night after he had killed Kay Ozburn, a railroad station agent, who was aiding a bailiff to arrest the negro according to word received here today.

Ozburn and the bailiff had gone to the negro's house and a demand for him to come out and surrender was replied to, it was said, by a shot that killed Ozburn. The sheriff was sent for and a crowd gathered. Entering the house, the sheriff found Baynes concealed between two mattresses. A number of men rushed in, seized the negro, tied a rope around his neck, carried him off into the woods and shot him to death.

GO AHEAD WITHOUT U. S.

Allies Preparing to Put Treaty in Effect on December 1

Paris, Nov. 21.—While the Supreme Council did not decide positively yesterday to put the peace treaty with Germany into effect on December 1, its members all agreed it would be desirable to do so. An effort will be made to have all preparations for enforcement of the treaty completed by that date and it probably will be put into effect very early in December, regardless of the failure of the United States to ratify the treaty.

How to be Happy When in Pain

We are suffering with growing pains, because we take pains to please. If you are not on our honor roll, come in and join. 278-1c Jester's King and Patrick Sts.

A wonderful production is "Virtuous Men."

HAPPENINGS ABOUT CITY TOLD IN BRIEF

Don't forget to purchase a tag tomorrow for the benefit of the Alexandria Hospital.

A meeting of the General Committee of Community Service will be held Tuesday night at the Center at 8 o'clock.

The ladies of Trinity Methodist Church will conduct a home made pie and cake sale tomorrow, Saturday, at 717 King street, for the benefit of the Sunday School.

Mrs. Harry Badeau and her little daughter, Emily Elliott Badeau, of Bridgeport, Conn., are visiting Mrs. Albert Smoot at her home in North Washington street.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Short, of Sharon, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. John W. Reed, of this city, were the dinner guests yesterday of Mr. and Mrs. H. Bayliss, Mount Vernon district, Fairfax county.

The civic bureau of the Chamber of Commerce will hold its monthly meeting in the rooms of that organization next Monday night at eight o'clock, when several matters of importance will be considered it is announced.

Frank S. Marsh, Community Organizer, returned to Alexandria yesterday from a conference in Richmond with T. S. Settle and other Community Service workers of western and northern Virginia.

Heber Thompson has been chosen a member of the police force to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Policeman Frank W. Bettis. Officer Bettis was elected a member of the force October 15.

The moving picture of the Sunday School parade, also another film with Louise Huff as the star, will be shown tonight at the Norton Memorial to the Girls' Friendly of all the Alexandria churches. The same picture will be shown tomorrow night to the children of St. Paul's Sunday School and their families.

The Alexandria Band will assist the "Revue of 1919" the show which will be staged by the Alexandria Community Service next month here. The entire personnel of the band will put on one act of the show, while they will also take part in the opening act, as well as the finale. Last night's rehearsal of the band was a good one, nearly every member showing up, and marked improvement is being shown.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAYERS

Second Performance Will be Shown Tonight

The three plays given by the Alexandria High School were presented last night before a large and appreciative audience in the High School auditorium. All three plays scored a success with their attractive setting and able acting.

In the Japanese play, Mr. Fred Pettitt made a decided "hit" with his sympathetic and humorous portrayal of a young American. Indeed, the cast as a whole did such splendid work that it is scarcely fair to single one out for honorable mention.

In the "Mouse-Trap" both Miss Moore and Mr. Pohl gave a brilliant and delightful performance. They were well supported by the minor characters in that play. "Miss Civilization," the last on the program, though not so picturesque as the Japanese play and not so laughable as the "Mouse Trap," nevertheless was a splendid success and furnished a fitting climax to the evening's entertainment.

The comic role of Mr. Stonnell in this play was especially amusing, while Miss Hilda Noonan was graceful and beautiful in the heroine's part. The entertainment will be repeated at the High School auditorium tonight. If you can't get a ticket, you can "Pay as you Enter."

Norfolk salt water Oysters and Hampton Bar claims Jacob Brill, foot of King Street. 227-1t.